expenditure of Rs. 500, but the Government are not aware whether this amount was actually spent. No other board has applied for sanction.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I ask whether the Government will be pleased to lay on the table the final account in respect of the Viceroy's visit when they do receive that statement ? "

The hon. Sir ARTHUR KNAPP :—" Yes, Sir, the Government are prepared to place it on the table."

Arrangements at Madura in connexion with His Excellency the Viceroy's visit.

81 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether it is a fact that—

(*a*) the owners of houses in the streets along which His Excellency the Viceroy passed in Madura were warned not to allow strangers into or in front of their houses ;

(*b*) such owners were prohibited from getting on to the terraces of their houses while His Excellency the Viceroy was passing ;

(*c*) patients going to the hospitals were turned back on the day previous to the visit as the roads were closed for hours for police rehearsals ;

(*d*) students could not go to their colleges for the same reason ;

(*e*) worshippers were not allowed inside the Sri Minakshi temple on the day previous to the visit and those who were inside for worship were turned out ; and

(*f*) one thousand five hundred reserve policemen of Ramnad and Madura districts, all the Deputy Superintendents of Police of the two districts and the District Superintendent of Police of Tinnevelly were brought to Madura and made to camp there for nearly a week before the visit ?

A.—(*a*) to (*e*) The Government have no information.

(*f*) Reserve policemen—The Ramnad Reserve was ordered to send only 108 men.

Deputy Superintendents of Police—One Deputy Superintendent was brought to Madura from Ramnad district.

Superintendents—The Superintendent of Police, Tinnevelly, was brought in to Madura.

The officers and men camped in Madura for 4 days.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I ask the hon. Member to call for the information as he was good enough to say in the other case ? It was an important allegation made by a Vakil of the High Court who is practising there."

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—" Yes."

Imperial Bank.

Conduct of the Imperial Bank Fraud case by the Crown Prosecutor.

82 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the reasons why the Crown Prosecutor declined to appear and conduct the Imperial Bank Fraud case in the Presidency Magistrate's Court ; and

(*b*) whether the Government propose to take any action thereon ?

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A.—(*a*) The reasons, as already stated in my answer to a supplemental question asked by the hon. Member, are more or less personal to the Crown Prosecutor.

(*b*) The Government accepted the reasons and therefore do not propose to take any action.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I ask the hon. Member to kindly state whether it is a fact that the Crown Prosecutor voluntarily declined to appear and conduct the Imperial Bank Fraud Case in the Presidency Magistrate's Court or whether negotiations went on between him and the Government either private or informal ? "

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—" Mr. President, Sir, in answer to a series of 19 questions on this subject put by the hon. Member for the University the Government has sent an answer that the Government do not propose to answer just now but propose to issue a communiqué after the proceedings are terminated."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" I have not received it."

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—" I take it that it will be laid on the table to-morrow or day after."

Irrigation.

Amount spent on new irrigation schemes in certain districts.

83 *Q.*—Diwan Bahadur P. KESAVA PILLAI : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state the amount spent on new irrigation schemes during the last fifty years in the districts of Anantapur, Bellary, Kurnool and Cuddapah, respectively ?

A.—The amount spent up to March 1923 on schemes for which capital account is kept is over $2\frac{1}{2}$ crores. Figures of expenditure incurred on new schemes for which this account is not kept are not available.

Diwan Bahadur P. KESAVA PILLAI :—" May I know if the hon. Member could not give statistics for each district ? "

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—" It is quite easy and it will be done."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" Does it include the Kurnool-Cuddapah canal ? "

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—" Yes."

The irrigation sources of the Madura and Ramnad districts.

84 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur A. M. MURUGAPPA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have made any investigation to develop the irrigation resources of the Madura and Ramnad districts, and if so, to place on the table the report of such investigation ; and

(*b*) whether the Government propose to undertake any irrigation project in the above two districts in the near future ?